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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK
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IN RE LOWER MANHATTAN DISASTER SITE
LITIGATION
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ROSA, ORTIZ AND ELIO YUMBLA,

Civil Action No.: 07 CV 01676

NOTICE OF ADOPTION

Plaintiff(s),

- against -

90 CHURCH STREET LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, ALAN KASMAN DBA KASCO, AMBIENT GROUP, INC., ANN TAYLOR STORES CORPORATION, BATTERY PARK CITY AUTHORITY, BELFOR USA GROUP, INC., BLACKMON-MOORING-SREAMATIC CATASTOPHE, INC., D/B/A BMS CAT, BOSTON PROPERTIES, INC., BROOKFIELD FINANCIAL PROPERTIES, INC., BROOKFIELD FINANCIAL PROPERTIES, LP., BROOKFIELD PARTNERS, LP. BROOKFIELD PROPERIES CORPORATION. BRROFIELD PROPERTIES HOLDINGS INC., ENVIROTECH CLEAN AIR, INC., GPS ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTANTS, INC., GRUBB & ELLIS MANAGEMENT SERVICES, HILLMAN ENVIRONMENTAL GROUP, LLC., INDOOR ENVIRONMENTAL TECHNOLOGY, INC., KASCO RESTORATION SERVICES CO., MERRILL LYNCH & CO, INC., MOODY'S HOLDING, INC., NEW YORK UNIVERSITY, NOMURA HOLDING AMERICA, INC., NOMURA SECURITIES, INTERNATIONAL, INC., SABINE ZERARKA, STRUCTURE TONE(UK), INC., STUCTURE TONE GLOBAL SERVICES, INC., TOSCORP INC., VERIZON NEW YORK, INC., WESTON SOLUTIONS, INC.,

WFP TOWER B CO. G.P. CORP., WFP TOWER B HOLDING CO., LP, AND WFP TOWER B. CO., LP., ET AL

Defendant(s).

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COUNSELORS:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that defendants, ANN TAYLOR STORES CORPORATION, as and for their responses to the allegations set forth in the Complaint by Adoption (Check-Off Complaint) related to the Master Complaint filed in the above-referenced action, hereby adopts ANN TAYLOR STORES CORPORATION's Answer to the Master Complaint dated August 8, 2007, which was filed in the matter of *In Re World Trade Center Lower Manhattan Disaster Site Litigation*, 21 MC 102 (AKH).

To the extent that ANN TAYLOR STORES CORPORATION's, Answer to the Master Complaint does not comprehensively address any of the specific allegations within the Check-Off Complaint in the above-captioned matter, ANN TAYLOR STORES CORPORATION denies knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of such specific allegations.

WHEREFORE, ANN TAYLOR STORES CORPORATION demands judgment dismissing the above-captioned action as against it, together with its costs and disbursements.

Dated: New York, New York December 13, 2007

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